

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 14, 16, 18, 20, 21, 23-26, 30-32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 47, and 49-86. Claims 49 and 50 have been amended merely to correct for typographical errors. Claim 51 has been labeled as "Currently Amended" as required by the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and amendments that were sought to be made in the Amendment and Reply, submitted on October 25, 2007, are shown again. No new matter has been added.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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